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Thanks Charlie!

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Nikia,

If Katie Hailer presents the baby poop data in her April 10<sup>th</sup> presentation, here are some possible counter points.

All the data shows is that there is a difference between the meconium in the Butte newborns vs the SC newborn

Absolutely does not make any inferences to possible health effect

Virtually impossible to determine health effect from levels in baby poop. Little to no national data on meconium and metal levels nationally

It is certainly an interesting finding and support Dr. Hailer in her investigation, offering what ever assistance we can. We are supportive of a more thorough scientific investigation into this possible difference. At this time the data are too limited to establish if this difference actually exists, but believe that it is a worthwhile endeavor.

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